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Quarter ended 30th June, 1938.

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1.—POPULATION AND MIGRATION.

Period.	Population at end of period.			Natural Increase	Migration—Increase + Decrease —		
	Males.	Females	Total.		Oversea.	Inter- state.	Total.
Year ended—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
31st December, 1931	289,397	287,682	577,079	4,191	— 607	— 972	— 1,579
1932	290,254	289,039	579,293	3,564	— 363	— 987	— 1,350
1933	291,722	290,955	582,677	3,996	+ 7	— 619	— 612
1934	292,519	291,775	584,294	3,056	— 32	— 1,407	— 1,439
1935	293,650	292,793	586,443	3,107	— 131	— 827	— 958
1936	294,807	294,505	589,312	3,447	+ 242	— 820	— 578
1937	295,611	295,590	591,201	3,738	— 7	— 1,842	— 1,849
Sept. Quarter, 1936	294,160	293,696	587,856	703	+ 120	— 260	— 140
1937	294,733	294,833	589,566	741	+ 204	— 57	+ 147
Dec. Quarter, 1936	294,807	294,505	589,312	1,006	+ 338	+ 112	+ 450
1937	295,611	295,590	591,201	1,068	+ 352	+ 215	+ 567
March Quarter, 1937	294,261	294,134	588,395	1,009	— 368	— 1,558	— 1,926
1938	295,986	295,769	591,755	1,053	— 116	— 383	— 499

Metropolitan Population, 31st December, 1937, 318,190, or 54·0 per cent. of State.

2.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

Period.	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Infantile Deaths.
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year, 1931.....	9,079	4,888	3,069	330
1932.....	8,521	4,957	3,636	312
1933.....	8,900	4,904	3,973	286
1934.....	8,459	5,403	4,310	301
1935.....	8,270	5,163	4,845	289
1936.....	8,911	5,464	5,182	277
1937.....	8,985	5,247	5,340	297
April, 1937	774	392	538	23
1938	749	401	804	20
May, 1937	767	444	342	32
1938	870	506	323	26
June, 1937.....	720	505	409	28
1938.....	769	459	417	29
June Quarter, 1937.....	2,261	1,341	1,289	83
1938.....	2,388	1,366	1,544	75
January-June, 1937	4,456	2,527	2,621	149
1938	4,633	2,558	2,843	145

3.—RAINFALL.

Period.	Over Agricultural Areas, 1938.							State 33 Years' Mean.	Adelaide.	
	Central.	Lower North	Upper North	South- East.	Wes- tern.	Murray Mallee.	State.		1938.	99 Years' Mean.
	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.
January	·75	1·23	1·19	·93	·35	·82	·75	·51	·61	·74
February	1·78	1·91	1·63	1·65	4·21	·79	2·48	·68	2·45	·72
March	16	·04	·00	·48	·11	·07	·14	·74	·13	1·02
April	3·42	2·14	·76	3·64	1·52	2·20	2·13	·90	5·81	1·71
May	·73	·16	·04	1·08	·91	·25	·62	1·77	·98	2·72
June	1·89	1·17	·76	3·40	2·62	·98	1·99	2·08	2·37	3·07
July	2·06	2·24	1·12	2·41	1·70	1·99	1·87	1·93	1·88	2·63
	April to July.								Jan.-July.	
1938.....	8·10	5·71	2·68	10·53	6·75	5·42	6·61	—	14·23	12·61
1937.....	7·02	5·26	2·96	6·59	4·91	3·85	5·08	—	12·54	—
Mean, 33 years.	8·55	6·13	4·58	10·56	6·03	5·14	6·68	6·68	—	—

4.—EMPLOYMENT—MONTHLY INDEX FIGURES.

(Base July, 1933 = 100.)

	April.			May.			June.		
	1936.	1937.	1938.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1936.	1937.	1938.
State Government (a)	102	109	114	103	109	114	103	108	113
Commonwealth									
Government ... (a)	110	116	124	111	117	126	111	115	124
Local Government (a)	105	118	—	108	117	—	117	117	—
Public Bodies (a)	105	105	112	102	107	113	102	102	112
Banks (a)	104	107	110	105	107	110	105	107	110
Life Assurance ... (a)	109	119	126	111	120	128	111	121	128
General Insurance (b)	105	112	121	105	114	123	104	113	123
Retailers (b)	114	113	113	114	114	114	113	114	114
Merchants (Wool,									
Wheat, &c.).... (b)	110	115	131	111	118	133	118	125	138
Factories (b)	146	155	162	143	155	158	137	154	151

(a) Complete. (b) Returns received from representative firms only.

5.—UNEMPLOYMENT AND FACTORIES EMPLOYMENT.

Particulars.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
Trade Unionists unemployed per cent.	32.0	28.3	22.0	13.6	9.4	7.3
Labour Exchange Registrations end JuneNo.	20,516	16,559	13,111	10,970	8,033	7,739
Employment in Factories Index No.	80	91	104	120	127	134
	April.		May.		June.	
	1937.	1938.	1937.	1938.	1937.	1938.
Trade Unionists unemployed per cent.	—	—	8.3	7.5	—	—
Labour Exchange Registrations end monthNo.	7,795	6,566	7,500	7,291	8,033	7,739
Employment in Factories, Index No.	137	138	136	134	135	128

6.—STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Period.	Revenue.				Expenditure.			
	Land and Income Tax.	Other Taxation.	Railways.	Total (including Other).	Public Debt (a)	Railways (b)	Unemployed Relief.	Total (including Other).
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Year, 1931-32	1,919	1,157	2,760	10,482	5,439	2,061	853	11,545
1932-33	1,561	1,172	2,771	10,161	5,346	2,023	632	11,170
1933-34	1,648	1,261	2,609	10,188	5,203	2,065	542	11,032
1934-35	1,825	1,399	2,649	11,002	4,982	2,147	490	10,965
1935-36	1,789	1,415	2,851	11,409	4,934	2,324	415	11,260
1936-37	1,978	1,563	3,000	11,739	4,976	2,471	375	11,600
1937-38	2,358	1,564	3,293	12,461	5,061	2,765	319	12,334
April, 1937	246	400	283	1,341	357	209	27	968
1938	363	258	328	1,330	367	232	19	986
May, 1937	376	105	293	1,162	354	199	26	868
1938	375	104	319	1,180	366	216	20	903
June, 1937	462	112	273	1,376	484	210	37	1,264
1938	424	140	285	1,403	491	223	35	1,288
June Quarter, 1937	1,084	617	849	3,879	1,195	618	90	3,100
1938	1,162	502	932	3,913	1,224	671	74	3,177

(a) Interest, Exchange and Sinking Fund.

(b) Includes Pensions for annual figures, but not for monthly and quarterly.

7.—PUBLIC DEBT—STATE.

Date.	Public Debt.	Trust Funds, Bank Balances, &c.	Total Indebtedness.	Per Head.
	£	£	£	£ s. d.
30th June, 1932.....	101,599,232	1,519,244	103,118,476	178 7 9
1933.....	103,707,332	1,378,540	105,085,872	180 17 9
1934.....	105,419,280	1,262,812	106,682,092	182 18 1
1935.....	105,349,536	1,008,703	106,358,239	181 17 4
1936.....	105,698,481	1,833,739	107,532,220	183 2 0
1937.....	106,594,164	2,131,201	108,725,365	184 13 11
1938.....	107,450,640	1,944,607	109,395,247	184 17 4

NOTE.—During the year ended 30th June, 1935, the amount of £804,988 was written off the Public Debt, being portion of Soldier Settlement Debt taken over by the Commonwealth.

8. TRADING BANKS (ex. State and Commonwealth Banks).

Period.	Deposits.					Advances.	Advances to Deposits.
	Bearing Interest.		Not Bearing Interest.		Total.		
	£	%	£	%			
June Quarter	£	%	£	%	£	£	%
1932	16,939,770	77·63	4,881,337	22·37	21,821,107	17,913,525	82·09
1933	17,314,999	77·64	4,987,061	22·36	22,302,060	18,608,501	83·44
1934	17,785,796	76·10	5,586,432	23·90	23,372,228	18,625,748	79·69
1935	17,173,844	74·21	5,967,563	25·79	23,141,407	19,595,659	84·68
1936	17,012,925	72·60	6,421,975	27·40	23,434,900	19,240,000	82·10
1937	18,079,031	71·51	7,204,074	28·49	25,283,105	18,443,318	72·95
1938	18,559,625	73·47	6,701,860	26·53	25,261,485	19,306,744	76·43

NOTE—State and Commonwealth Banks, June Quarter 1938. Advances, £2,815,391; Deposits, Bearing Interest, £2,647,407, Not Bearing Interest, £1,451,029; Total £4,098,436.

9. SAVINGS BANKS AND BANK CLEARINGS.

Period.	Savings Banks (State and Commonwealth).			Bank Clearings.	
	Accounts Open.	Deposits.	Per Head.	Total.	Weekly Average.
	No.	£	£ s. d.	£	£
1931-32	572,051	21,566,825	37 6 2	100,419,134	1,919,426
1932-33	584,004	22,515,288	38 15 1	108,566,658	2,079,464
1933-34	595,524	23,437,505	40 3 8	115,558,007	2,214,061
1934-35	579,995	24,184,988	41 7 1	124,254,209	2,385,660
1935-36	622,609	25,308,586	43 1 10	136,851,967	2,592,203
1936-37	645,211	26,505,941	45 0 6	151,281,047	2,900,357
1937-38	657,799	27,240,000 ^b	46 0 8	158,944,202	3,039,755
April, 1937	614,132 ^a	25,857,160	43 18 11	14,618,978	3,372,743
1938	655,162	26,694,031	45 2 2	13,456,006	3,095,035
May, 1937	615,251 ^a	25,783,903	43 16 0	13,036,444	3,125,461
1938	656,571	26,619,403	44 19 11	14,529,283	3,349,451
June, 1937	645,211	26,505,941	45 0 6	13,106,843	2,961,804
1938	657,799	27,240,000 ^b	46 0 8	13,361,871	2,945,083

(a) Excludes inoperative accounts in Commonwealth Bank, approximately 28,000.

(b) Including £600,000 estimated interest for State Savings Bank.

10. OVERSEA TRADE (DIRECT).

Period.	Exports.		Imports.	Excess Exports.
	£ Aus.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
1931-32	12,264,227	9,772,000	2,821,538	6,950,462
1932-33	12,802,189	10,242,000	3,760,324	6,481,676
1933-34	12,718,325	10,175,000	3,679,412	6,495,588
1934-35	11,834,784	9,468,000	3,965,808	5,502,192
1935-36	15,381,124	12,305,000	5,419,960	6,885,040
1936-37	16,748,140	13,399,000	5,438,429	7,960,571
1937-38	19,182,761	15,346,000	7,472,124	7,873,876
April, 1937	1,239,289	991,000	463,237	527,763
1938	1,895,860	1,517,000	447,816	1,069,184
May, 1937	1,272,888	1,018,000	423,275	594,725
1938	2,032,156	1,626,000	587,226	1,038,774
June, 1937	1,482,202	1,186,000	393,967	792,033
1938	1,307,881	1,046,000	567,359	478,641
June Quarter, 1937	3,994,379	3,195,000	1,280,479	1,914,521
1938	5,235,897	4,189,000	1,602,401	2,586,599

11.—OVERSEA EXPORTS (PRINCIPAL ITEMS).

Article.	Unit.	Year.				
		1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
Quantities—						
Barley	bush.	2,605,576	2,551,888	3,360,946	2,312,332	4,377,475
Flour	ton	53,489	75,662	60,137	58,590	68,577
Wheat	bush.	17,638,860	24,512,433	22,669,070	16,770,810	28,805,592
Butter	lb.	8,308,420	6,299,175	7,953,012	7,291,690	8,848,241
Cheese	lb.	667,172	2,359,107	3,898,651	7,289,309	10,109,467
Eggs in shell	doz.	4,182,986	4,429,318	3,456,050	2,745,480	1,225,550
Lamb and mutton	carcases	216,535	277,173	342,813	420,832	377,333
Wool	lb.	58,534,898	60,687,086	65,002,965	62,465,752	59,550,456
Currants and raisins	lb.	38,082,666	31,285,956	27,504,426	25,108,567	38,528,026
Wine	gall.	2,577,660	3,009,723	3,427,516	3,679,365	3,483,556
Concentrates (Silver, &c.)	cwt.	2,616,220	2,045,528	3,749,405	2,393,740	3,174,761
Lead	cwt.	2,221,792	1,903,682	2,131,846	1,796,399	2,088,745
Values (Australian Currency)—						
Barley	£	294,071	345,550	353,533	432,079	752,991
Flour	£	295,316	487,075	422,899	558,675	619,340
Wheat	£	2,435,969	3,652,558	4,087,227	4,386,206	6,306,741
Butter	£	332,857	234,814	400,509	395,448	470,363
Cheese	£	15,743	48,922	80,851	166,122	294,136
Eggs in shell	£	219,721	214,141	165,892	140,542	68,441
Lamb and mutton	£	165,618	210,208	288,646	352,953	367,545
Wool	£	3,762,861	2,440,499	3,780,550	4,071,953	3,287,598
Currants and raisins	£	722,164	582,677	512,714	459,518	731,370
Wine	£	702,392	731,568	870,710	955,033	879,477
Concentrates (Silver, &c.)	£	490,202	328,525	531,685	737,060	748,578
Lead	£	1,297,179	1,064,765	1,759,672	2,080,993	2,022,542

12. OVERSEA IMPORTS (PRINCIPAL ITEMS).

Article.	Year.				
	1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
(British Currency.)					
	£	£	£	£	£
Apparel and attire	44,155	45,256	61,419	62,758	78,932
Bags and sacks	343,904	209,899	312,623	315,346	300,561
Fertilisers—Rock phosphates	92,232	89,177	129,773	129,015	131,000
Iron and steel	206,435	272,807	433,653	350,041	794,090
Machines and machinery ...	179,186	287,015	601,041	730,242	1,109,344
Motor bodies, chassis, &c. ..	190,758	252,265	375,010	373,703	472,298
Petrol, &c.	331,515	249,858	417,979	421,437	562,893
Kerosene	50,149	47,304	68,194	62,706	122,382
Other oils in bulk	137,257	144,554	180,426	165,611	235,986
Paper	174,531	162,250	195,972	269,392	224,791
Stationery, books, &c.	87,749	101,366	111,022	109,701	132,059
Tea	128,292	115,278	111,940	121,758	113,900
Textiles, Piecegoods, &c. ...	502,474	572,587	610,588	612,363	733,717
Timber	183,579	215,920	274,150	175,886	523,346

13.—RAILWAYS (SUMMARY).

Period.	Gross Revenue.	Working Expenses. <i>a.</i>	Train Miles Run.	Passengers Carried.	Goods and Livestock.	Passenger Mileage.
	£	£	No.	No.	Tons.	1,000m.
Year 1931-32..	2,757,123	1,921,744	4,914,265	15,608,384	2,430,226	166,409
1932-33..	2,744,741	1,894,477	4,909,588	16,074,121	2,401,070	172,106
1933-34..	2,570,837	1,937,913	4,930,271	16,325,004	2,154,639	175,559
1934-35..	2,669,470	2,023,918	5,080,319	16,660,213	2,346,736	177,655
1935-36..	2,890,710	2,193,457	5,462,146	17,430,674	2,481,568	189,061
1936-37..	3,021,662	2,331,334	5,606,353	17,776,629	2,400,423	205,329
March, 1937 ..	258,235	208,229	501,132	1,724,462	249,380	18,519
1938 ..	280,378	240,960	566,006	1,685,993	348,602	15,921
April, 1937 ...	282,639	208,754	500,746	1,347,169	259,751	13,931
1938 ...	328,906	233,862	542,546	1,373,089	325,648	17,216
May, 1937	293,479	198,674	499,110	1,429,935	247,094	15,120
1938	318,687	214,515	536,559	1,353,833	269,273	14,579
July-May,						
1936-37	2,727,198	2,143,787	5,245,770	16,026,788	2,189,813	185,274
1937-38	3,008,632	2,398,850	5,591,290	15,923,666	2,640,981	178,691

a Excluding pensions and capital charges.

14.—RAILWAYS (TON-MILEAGES).

Period.	Gross Ton Mileage.					Net Ton Mileage (Revenue).
	Passenger.	Freight.	Mixed.	Depart-mental.	Total.	
Year—	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.
1931-32	262,756	681,354	25,997	15,482	985,589	287,654
1932-33	276,764	685,430	24,585	22,429	1,009,208	283,604
1933-34	292,016	677,057	21,649	19,034	1,009,756	265,720
1934-35	313,338	713,036	22,416	15,638	1,064,428	281,109
1935-36	355,657	800,899	20,404	17,599	1,194,559	312,839
1936-37	405,689	823,513	24,132	25,112	1,278,446	314,515
March, 1937 ..	36,584	75,867	2,481	3,392	118,324	31,190
1938 ..	34,600	98,658	2,296	3,206	138,760	41,320
April, 1937....	32,626	84,518	2,197	719	120,060	34,216
1938....	38,269	90,267	2,245	1,863	132,644	39,083
May, 1937	33,046	83,507	2,427	1,013	119,993	33,781
1938	34,124	90,938	2,229	2,279	129,570	36,864
July-May,						
1936-37	375,783	753,226	21,828	19,888	1,170,725	289,088
1937-38	388,065	869,815	24,855	30,428	1,313,163	334,754

15.—TRAMWAYS (DAILY AVERAGES).

Period.	Gross Revenue.	Passenger Journeys.	Tram Miles.	Elec- tricity.
	£	No.	No.	A.C. Units.
Year ended July, 1932.....	1,802	132,424	20,054	69,928
1933.....	1,762	131,929	20,203	71,926
1934.....	1,720	128,820	20,224	71,751
1935.....	1,752	131,830	20,404	72,298
1936.....	1,841	138,317	21,705	76,201
1937.....	1,916	142,689	22,087	77,209
7th March to 3rd April, 1937	1,867	137,223	21,547	74,307
6th March to 2nd April, 1938	1,879	139,437	22,382	78,888
4th April to 1st May, 1937	1,937	142,860	21,960	77,165
3rd April to 30th April, 1938	1,971	145,577	22,825	84,046
2nd May to 29th May, 1937	1,957	147,220	21,905	77,323
1st May to 28th May, 1938	2,011	148,838	23,179	86,813
30th May to 26th June, 1937	1,886	136,531	21,693	78,832
29th May to 25th June, 1938	1,926	141,215	23,350	87,618

16.—MOTOR REGISTRATIONS.

Period.	Cars.		Commercial Vehicles.		Cycles.	
	1937.	1938.	1937.	1938.	1937.	1938.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
New Vehicles—						
April	437	516	178	208	56	89
May	503	503	182	224	51	80
June	431	394	157	179	66	55
June Quarter	1,371	1,413	517	611	173	224
Second-Hand Vehicles—						
April	1,546	1,582	675	632	646	643
May	1,454	1,098	787	513	669	402
June	881	924	361	385	370	379
June Quarter	3,881	3,604	1,823	1,530	1,685	1,424
Renewals—						
June Quarter.....	a	41,442	a	15,749	a	5,591
Cancellations—						
June Quarter.....	1,628	2,738	425	783	405	757
Expirations—						
June Quarter.....	a	44,323	a	16,534	a	7,836

(a) Comparable figures not available.

17.—MOTORS, TELEPHONES, WIRELESS.

Period.	Motor Vehicles in use (a).				Telephone Connections.		Wireless Licences.	
	Cars.	Com- mercial Vehicles.	Cycles.	Total.	New.	Exist- ing (a).	New.	Exist- ing (a).
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year ended December, 1931	45,140	12,139	10,045	67,324	2,869	49,276	10,186	32,075
1932	46,558	12,638	9,736	68,932	3,100	48,608	15,646	43,268
1933	46,413	14,197	10,455	71,065	3,605	48,528	17,903	55,639
1934	48,939	17,267	10,470	76,676	4,882	49,802	21,911	72,337
1935	49,496	17,157	10,741	77,394	5,048	51,516	17,407	81,629
1936	53,728	19,415	11,110	84,253	5,501	53,875	19,867	93,881
1937	56,101	21,728	11,802	88,631	5,727	56,517	20,293	105,045
April 1937	46,235	16,916	7,559	70,710	501	54,646	1,485	97,345
1938	56,498	22,539	10,119	89,156	388	57,187	1,683	108,530
May, 1937	49,584	18,670	8,741	76,995	466	54,834	1,854	98,539
1938	56,912	23,031	10,092	90,035	560	57,419	2,117	109,781
June, 1937	50,633	19,209	9,097	78,939	500	55,019	1,891	99,209
1938	56,882	23,206	10,048	90,136	473	57,630	2,852	111,966

NOTE.—Up to March, 1937, all motor registrations automatically cancelled on 31st March each year, and a number of vehicles were not re-registered immediately. From April, 1937, vehicles can be registered at any time for either six or twelve months.

(a) At end of period stated.

18.—PRICES (MEAN) ADELAIDE WHOLESALE.

Period.	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Hay.	Bullocks.	Merino Wethers	Lambs.
	Bush. s. d.	Bush. s. d.	Bush. s. d.	Tons. £ s. d.	Prime. £ s. d.	Prime. s. d.	Prime. s. d.
April, 1937.....	5 3 $\frac{3}{4}$	4 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 5 $\frac{1}{4}$	3 16 9	9 10 6	25 9	22 6
1938.....	3 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 5 9	13 18 9	20 0	19 3
May, 1937	5 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 9	3 18 9	9 0 0	29 6	27 6
1938	3 5 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 7	2 7 6	11 18 9	22 9	20 3
June, 1934	2 6	2 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 0 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 14 6	7 17 6	19 6	19 6
1935	2 11 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 11	2 10 0	11 10 0	18 3	16 0
1936	3 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 0	2 2	2 2 6	10 15 0	30 3	24 9
1937	4 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	4 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 17 9	11 1 3	31 0	28 6
1938	3 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	3 1	2 7	2 10 0	12 4 0	23 9	19 6

19.—WOOL SALES.

Period.	Greasy and Scoured.		Amount Realised.	Price per Lb. Greasy.	In Store end Period.
	Bales.	Lbs.	£	d.	Bales.
Year, 1931-32	197,954	64,158,321	1,847,946	6-88	14,065
1932-33	262,058	84,832,832	2,604,950	7-32	4,212
1933-34	245,311	76,580,369	4,479,165	13-96	20,045
1934-35	272,724	86,383,700	2,959,314	8-14	4,815
1935-36	263,280	83,102,553	4,151,115	11-92	5,029
1936-37	257,300	80,350,616	4,601,851	13-66	4,040
1937-38	273,056	85,165,647	4,018,205	11-28	13,913
April, 1937	142	37,425	3,972	16-32	14,366
1938	28,185	8,426,353	363,028	10-28	36,936
May, 1937	1	504	12	5-50	26,548
1938	22,547	7,082,952	260,826	8-76	27,943
June, 1937	27,563	9,057,095	489,857	12-92	4,040
1938	20,573	6,627,858	239,813	8-60	13,913
June Quarter, 1937	27,706	9,095,024	493,841	12-93	4,040
1938	71,305	22,137,163	863,667	9-29	13,913

20.—PRICES—RETAIL ADELAIDE.

Period.	Bread, 2lbs.	Flour, 2lbs.	Tea, lb.	Milk, Quart.	Butter (Fac- tory), lb.	Eggs, Doz.	Potatoes 7lbs.	Beef Ribs, lb.	Mutton Leg, lb.
	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
April, 1937	5-50	4-70	27-75	5-95	17-70	20-15	5-50	6-05	7-45
1938	4-95	3-80	27-85	5-85	19-05	21-60	6-71	8-30	8-30
May, 1937	5-50	4-70	27-75	5-95	17-70	23-60	5-74	5-90	7-80
1938	4-95	3-80	27-85	5-85	19-05	25-30	7-36	8-35	8-30
June, 1934	3-95	a32-05	27-50	5-70	17-05	15-95	b14-17	6-10	7-50
1935	4-45	a43-50	27-40	5-70	16-40	17-75	b16-57	6-10	7-05
1936	4-45	a36-30	27-40	5-80	17-75	17-65	b17-31	6-45	7-80
1937	5-50	4-65	27-75	5-85	17-70	21-40	5-56	6-15	7-85
1938	4-95	3-35	27-85	5-85	18-65	22-50	8-77	8-30	8-15

a For 25lb. b For 14lb.

21.—PRICE INDEX FIGURES (ADELAIDE).

Base. Six capitals 1923-1927 = 1,000.

Item.	April.		May.		June.	
	1937.	1938.	1937.	1938.	1937.	1938.
Food and groceries	811	861	823	869	824	865
	Year.				June Quarter.	
	1934.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1937.	1938.
Food and groceries	767	780	798	825	819	865
Housing (four and five rooms)	700	736	795	832	822	—
Food, groceries, and housing	742	764	796	82	819	—
All items (a)	806	820	839	859	854	889

(a) "All items"; food, groceries, housing (four and five rooms), clothing, and miscellaneous expenditure.

22.—BUILDING PERMITS (METROPOLITAN AREA).

Period.	Dwellings.		Other Buildings.		Additions.	Total Value (Ex. Govt.)	Value (Govt.)
	No.	£	No.	£	£	£	£
Year, 1931	45	28,952	48	163,334	107,938	300,224	23,000
1932	110	91,508	65	72,294	125,780	289,582	98,909
1933	203	166,862	69	195,686	179,273	541,821	144,000
1934	385	321,202	102	266,061	221,369	808,632	44,161
1935	685	616,133	197	416,834	270,190	1,303,157	91,187
1936	917	714,923	194	236,522	279,707	1,231,152	345,689
1937	1,308	1,039,036	195	430,414	319,963	1,789,413	68,099
April, 1937	89	78,873	16	17,813	18,075	114,761	7,273
1938	130	93,892	13	8,897	30,188	132,977	7,445
May, 1937	128	96,350	14	22,233	22,703	141,286	2,735
1938	127	91,127	17	22,816	61,961	175,904	14,256
June, 1937	108	90,476	16	22,926	22,992	136,394	1,488
1938	112	86,862	15	24,953	37,903	149,718	1,599
June Quarter, 1937	325	265,699	46	62,972	63,770	392,441	11,496
1938	369	271,881	45	56,666	130,052	458,599	23,300
January-June, 1937	593	471,432	87	156,933	131,328	759,693	21,919
1938	731	541,986	97	294,490	208,771	1,045,247	126,102

23.—SALES TAX.

Approximate Amount of Sales by Traders Registered under Sales Tax Acts.

Year.	Taxable Goods.				Taxable and Exempt Goods.			
	April	May	June	Total Year.	April	May	June	Total Year.
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1932.....	954	1,062	852	11,159	2,228	2,605	2,057	26,577
1933.....	886	953	880	10,377	2,232	2,352	2,197	26,197
1934.....	809	846	928	10,014	2,062	2,273	2,216	26,243
1935.....	814	1,009	995	11,124	2,462	2,470	2,480	28,414
1936.....	1,004	1,005	1,055	11,909	2,633	2,574	2,512	29,901
1937.....	1,076	1,026	1,151	12,587	3,099	3,467	3,457	35,696
1938.....	1,107	1,164	1,187	—	3,357	3,423	3,470	—

Numerous commodities were exempted from tax as from 1st September, 1932, 26th October, 1933, 1st August, 1934, 25th October, 1935, and 26th September, 1936. Consequently many traders dealing exclusively in exempt goods ceased to supply returns and the proportion of wholesale trade covered by the records has been progressively reduced. The figures above cannot be compared without allowance for this fact.

24.—COMPANIES, MORTGAGES, &c.

Period.	Companies Registered.		Mortgages Registered—Real Estates.		Land Transferred.
	Companies.	Authorised Capital.	Loans.	Dis-charges.	
	No.	£	£	£	£
Year 1931.....	122	2,067,785	7,764,757	2,249,076	6,355,100
1932.....	115	2,119,500	4,389,999	2,500,727	4,574,025
1933.....	156	2,200,980	4,013,037	2,778,376	4,849,176
1934.....	139	2,335,485	4,060,222	3,769,315	5,708,100
1935.....	150	3,705,132	5,102,905	3,715,313	7,036,500
1936.....	99	1,488,200	5,993,845	4,076,106	8,368,200
1937.....	157	3,939,900	7,044,973	4,798,819	9,773,250
April, 1937	20	686,000	558,625	461,193	993,200
1938	12	119,000	670,286	563,450	832,200
May, 1937	7	104,000	493,561	452,921	806,700
1938	13	298,000	632,442	541,115	1,041,100
June, 1937	12	62,000	748,004	420,590	789,350
1938	12	182,000	709,254	576,715	901,800
June Quarter, 1937	39	852,000	1,800,190	1,334,704	2,589,250
1938	37	599,000	2,011,982	1,681,280	2,775,100
January-June, 1937.....	74	1,246,000	3,275,273	2,170,028	4,643,600
1938.....	72	1,004,100	3,931,560	3,360,589	5,805,800

25.—BANKRUPTCY (Sequestrations, Deeds, Schemes, &c.).

Period.	Primary Producers.	Total.	Liabilities.	Assets.	Excess Liabilities.
	No.	No.	£	£	£
Year 1931.....	456	996	1,491,178	1,101,919	389,259
1932.....	316	654	1,341,620	961,257	380,363
1933.....	282	570	1,339,435	1,061,860	277,575
1934.....	373	626	1,484,031	1,017,972	466,059
1935.....	357	597	1,376,855	753,528	623,327
1936.....	351	549	1,964,626	1,420,209	544,417
1937.....	228	468	1,547,794	1,143,739	404,055
April, 1937	44	70	228,245	147,344	80,901
1938	48	64	230,431	156,830	73,601
May, 1937	16	38	85,086	64,687	20,399
1938	46	66	265,034	166,574	98,460
June, 1937	15	37	78,627	55,625	23,002
1938	14	32	74,159	56,147	18,012
June Quarter, 1937	75	145	391,958	267,656	124,302
1938	108	162	569,624	379,551	190,073
January-June, 1937	184	303	1,204,288	904,735	299,553
1938	192	299	1,148,504	847,238	301,266

NOTE.—For 1931 and portion of 1932, liabilities and assets of compositions are not included.

26.—BUTTER AND CHEESE PRODUCTION.

Period.	Butter (lbs.).			Cheese (lbs.).		
	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
In Factories.						
April	732,503	757,482	972,984	357,446	569,052	882,653
May	759,613	775,729	1,035,116	451,370	505,737	882,020
June	805,529	927,285	1,244,809	537,204	550,632	1,072,522
July-June	17,017,490	16,657,761	18,942,574	8,103,243	11,847,355	15,508,031
Year.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
In Factories ..	17,017,490	16,657,761	18,942,574	8,103,243	11,847,355	15,508,031
On Farms	3,946,815	3,761,004	3,505,802	420	102	—
Total	20,964,305	20,418,765	22,448,376	8,103,663	11,847,457	15,508,031

27.—SLAUGHTERINGS AT METROPOLITAN ABATTOIRS (for home consumption).

Period.	Bullocks.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep.	Lambs.	Pigs.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
April-June, 1937	10,370	5,152	10,750	75,716	67,732	10,586
1938	8,177	6,741	10,266	75,472	75,300	7,672
January-June, 1935	16,284	8,337	17,835	149,917	139,384	15,981
1936	16,537	10,057	20,494	148,477	139,902	19,048
1937	18,220	11,319	20,204	142,547	136,646	20,361
1938	15,203	14,276	20,389	147,022	149,370	15,058

28.—ELECTRICITY.

Sales by Adelaide Electric Supply Co., Ltd. (In British Units).

Year Ended May.				Quarter Ended May.	
1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.	1936.
53,804,727	54,233,524	63,129,299	71,291,656	22,044,479	24,145,117
1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1937.	1938.
82,777,135	97,808,533	112,848,709	128,056,018	29,617,081	31,637,762

29.—GAS AND ELECTRICITY OUTPUT.

1931-32.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.
Gas (1,000 cubic feet).					
1,167,937	1,120,686	1,066,471	1,082,217	1,090,249	1,119,278
Electricity (British Units).					
133,676,926	148,348,374	165,597,746	176,433,857	200,488,220	223,925,107

30.—LATEST PRODUCTION STATISTICS AND MISCELLANEOUS DATA NOT ELSEWHERE INCLUDED.

Item.	Unit.	1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
Wheat	acres	3,821,795	3,188,225	2,989,490	3,058,457	3,161,739
	bush.	35,373,466	27,455,600	31,615,744	28,714,653	43,428,423
	average.	9-26	8-61	10-58	9-39	13-73
Barley	acres	307,423	316,807	393,741	304,559	411,288
	bush.	5,254,280	5,682,923	6,493,983	4,260,462	8,647,043
	average.	17-09	17-94	16-49	13-99	21-02
Oats.....	acres	265,074	367,192	299,771	414,723	332,434
	bush.	2,087,772	2,412,117	2,380,908	2,363,806	2,960,944
	average.	7-88	6-57	7-94	5-70	8-91
Hay	acres	507,248	561,071	566,064	539,127	562,057
	tons	539,846	571,133	586,658	501,003	687,312
	average.	1-06	1-02	1-04	0-93	1-22
Manures used						
Crops	tons	148,923	139,723	147,854	161,654	—
Pastures ..	tons	10,066	17,466	26,739	46,399	—
Cattle	No.	352,728	346,479	335,354	328,013	324,163
Horses	No.	196,789	198,765	197,368	200,870	197,334
Sheep	No.	7,941,060	7,884,919	7,945,745	7,905,112	8,904,402
Pigs	No.	91,573	86,297	93,458	85,048	66,647
Sheep Shorn ..	No.	8,111,296	8,131,202	8,091,682	7,940,476	8,654,764
Wool Clip	lbs.	67,668,282	68,547,294	70,912,985	66,743,386	74,893,269
Wool Prodn. (a)	lbs.	79,288,903	77,790,933	81,709,440	76,604,296	85,500,000
Ewes Mated ..	No.	3,304,532	3,408,561	3,408,758	3,519,568	3,662,227
Lambs Marked	No.	2,051,130	1,875,296	2,049,514	2,079,426	2,476,804
Wine—						
Beverage....	galls.	6,384,481	7,123,893	7,745,622	7,434,170	67,800,000
Distillation .	galls.	4,647,531	5,791,012	5,277,965	7,592,332	68,600,000
Total	galls.	10,032,012	12,914,905	13,023,587	15,026,502	616,400,000
Currants	cwts.	160,356	185,173	117,415	161,858	—
Raisins	cwts.	249,603	244,679	210,166	227,631	—
Apples	bush.	1,002,124	800,768	939,240	841,504	—
Oranges.....	bush.	582,602	638,314	645,291	654,889	—
Factories						
Establishments	No.	1,733	1,803	1,895	1,916	—
Hands ...	No.	29,486	33,497	38,471	40,710	642,750
Wages, &c.	£	4,907,335	5,733,865	6,694,151	7,518,239	—
Output ...	£	22,919,297	25,699,172	31,904,091	34,528,176	—
Production						
Value...	£	8,641,477	9,557,113	11,669,705	12,271,563	—
Life Assurance						
New Policies	No.	35,154	40,282	44,732	48,800	54,205
	£	3,778,179	3,923,587	4,579,921	5,395,553	6,255,724

a Including wool on skins.

b Estimated.